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wherein a space is substantially formed between the piezoelectric device and the insulating member.

Please add new claims 9-11 as follows:

--9. (New) A piezoelectric actuator using a laminated piezoelectric device having alternately layered piezoelectric layers and electrode layers comprising:

a metal case provided on the outside of the side surface of the piezoelectric device; and

an insulating member provided between the piezoelectric device and the case, said insulating member being made of a piece separate from the piezoelectric device, wherein said insulating member comprises a paper or resin sheet wound around the piezoelectric device.

10. (New) A piezoelectric actuator as set forth in claim 9, wherein at least overlapped portions of the wound sheet are adhered to each other.